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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
WOLFGANG STAMPFER ET AL
APPLICATION NO: 10/666,205

Group Art Unit: 1652

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FOR: ALCOHOL DEHYDROGENASES WITH
INCREASED SOLVENT AND
TEMPERATURE STABILITY

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DECLARATION UNDER RULE 132

Wolfgang Stampfer, the undersigned, states:

That I received a Diploma in Chemistry from University of Technology of Graz (Austria) in
Dezember 1999;

That I received a Ph.D. in Chemistry from University of Technology of Graz (Austria) in
October 2002

That I was employed by the Special Research Area Biocatalysis located at University of
Technology of Graz and University of Graz (Austria) from October 1999 until October 2002.

That I was employed by Pharmacia SpA /Pfizer at Nerviano (MI, Italy) from January 2003 until
April 2004.

That I have been employed by Merck KgaA & Co Werk Spittal (Austria) since May 2004.

That I have approximately 5 years of chemical/biological research and development experience; that from 1999 to 2004 I have worked in the Research and Development laboratories of University of Graz, the University of Technology of Graz and the Pharmacia/Pfizer Research Centre in Nerviano.

That I invented the subject matter disclosed in Angewandte Chemie International Edition, 2002, Volume 41, Issue 6, pages 1014-1017 pertaining to the preparative scale biocatalytic oxidation of secondary alcohols employing whole cells of *Rhodococcus ruber* DSM 44541 as the biocatalyst and acetone as a cosolvent; and

That the inventorship of the instant application is correct.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


Wolfgang Stampfer